

*The Retirement Systems of Alabama*

*Dexter Avenue Building  
Dedication*



*In grateful appreciation,  
The Retirement Systems of Alabama  
recognizes:*

2007 TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM  
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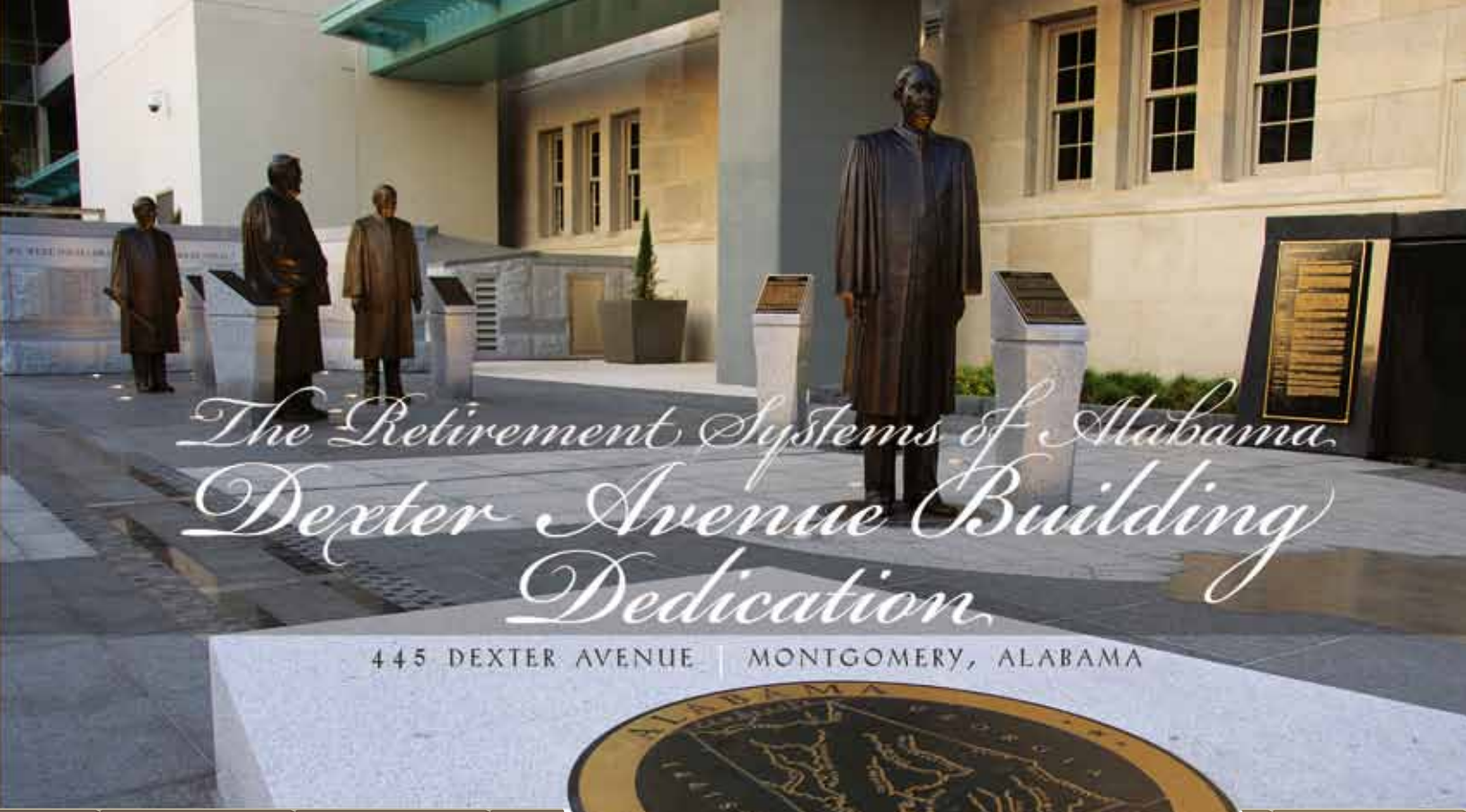
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MONTGOMERY SKYLINE  
FLOOR 12

CNHI  
FLOOR 7

SUPREME COURT CHAMBER CONFERENCE ROOM  
FLOOR 2

HONOR COURT

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The 12-story Retirement Systems of Alabama Dexter Avenue Building offers spectacular views of Montgomery's downtown, the Alabama riverfront, and the state capitol building. Embraced by the 50-foot-high structural glazed grand vestibule, the new building encapsulates the former state Judicial Building with its history and beauty.



# MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA



Much of the original building such as old doors, chandeliers, and stone benches has been adapted into the new, showcasing its history while reflecting Alabama and the RSA's commitment to continued progress. ■





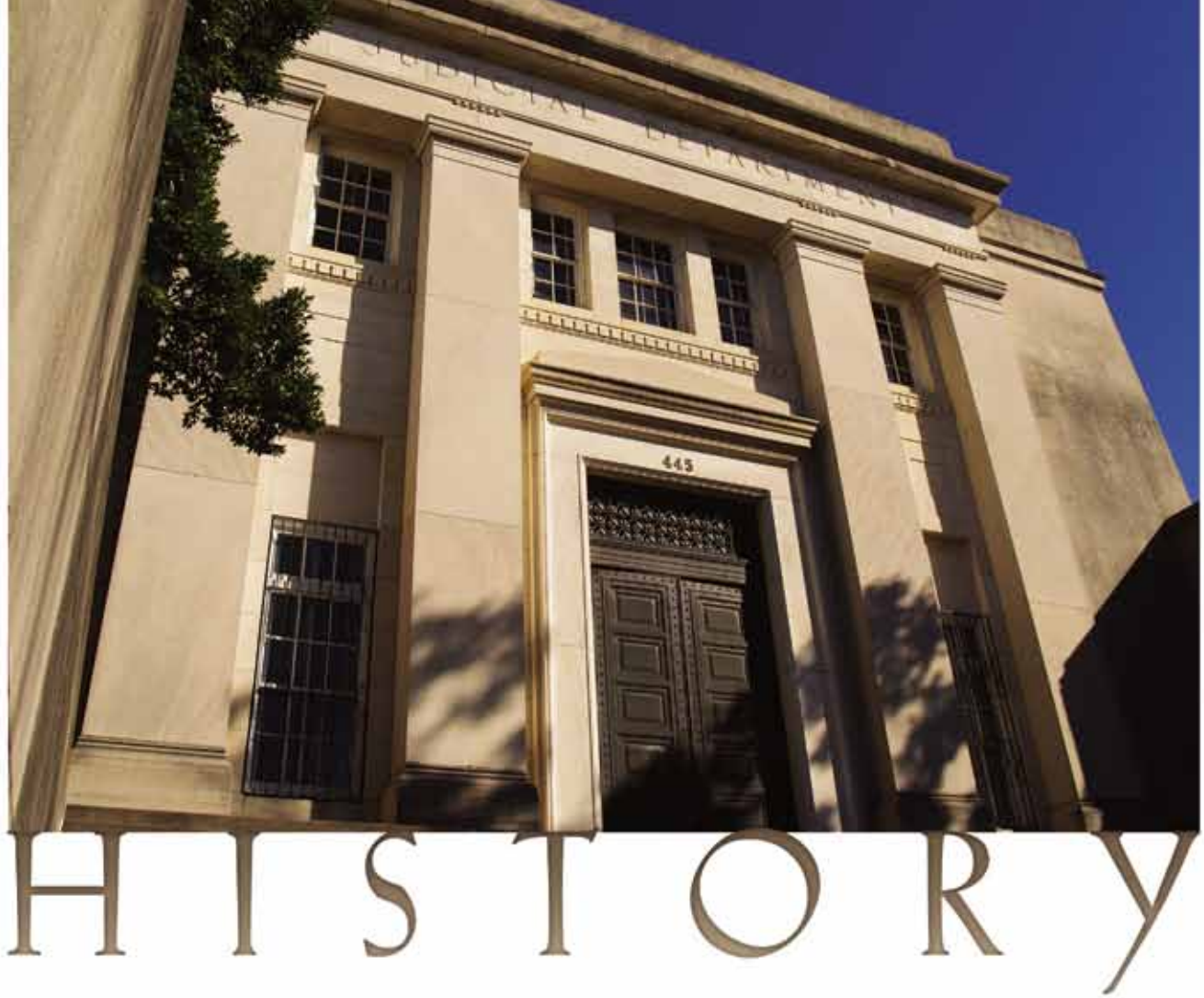
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◀ *Preserving the history of the old courtroom and law library, and incorporating it with 12 floors of leasable office space, was an architectural, engineering, and construction challenge. The design team decided to split the structure type, one half is cast in place concrete, and the half spanning over the existing building is structural steel trusses weighing 300 tons each fully assembled. The job was completed without delay or safety incidents.*

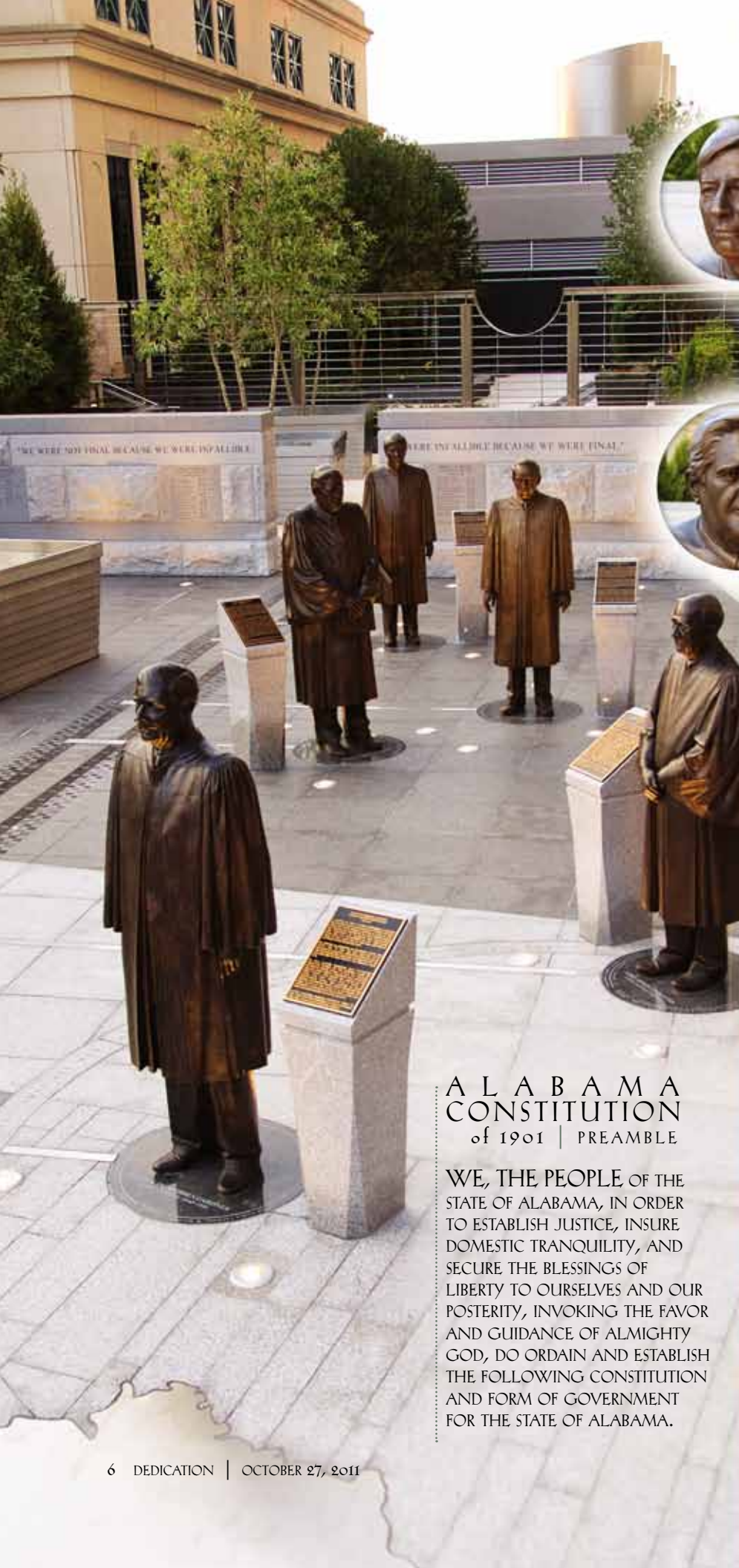




Originally designed as a Scottish Rite Temple in 1926, the building of concrete, brick, and Indiana limestone was sold to the state in 1932 and converted to house the Supreme Court and Appellate Court of Alabama, the attorney general's office, and the state's second oldest library, the Supreme Court Library. In 1940, the building was renovated, removing the original Egyptian motif along with adding air conditioning, a first for the capitol complex. The courts and library moved into the new Heflin-Torbert Judicial Building across the street in 1993 and the Judicial Building closed its doors in 1994. In 2007, it was acquired by the RSA with the intent of restoring and preserving part of Alabama's judicial past while providing premium executive office space for tenants. ■

During its history as Alabama's state Judicial Building, hundreds of cases were heard by the Alabama Supreme Court, several of which were key legal decisions such as *Sullivan vs. The New York Times*, a landmark case which dealt with press libel issues, and *BMW vs. Gore*, which dealt with punitive damages limitations. Both were later heard and decided by the U.S. Supreme Court. The Judicial Building also saw the appointment of Justice Oscar Adams as the first African American in the history of Alabama to be appointed and elected to statewide constitutional office. Judge Annie Lola Price, the first woman elected as an appellate court judge, had offices in the building, as did Justice Janie L. Shores, the first woman to sit on the Alabama Supreme Court. ■





ERNEST  
CLAYTON  
HORNSBY  
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CHIEF JUSTICE  
1989 TO 1995



CLEMENT  
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HOWELL THOMAS  
HEFLIN  
CHIEF JUSTICE  
1971 TO 1977

JAMES EDWIN  
LIVINGSTON  
CHIEF JUSTICE  
1951 TO 1971



LUCIEN  
DUNBIBBEN  
GARDNER  
CHIEF JUSTICE  
1940 TO 1951

## ALABAMA CONSTITUTION of 1901 | PREAMBLE

WE, THE PEOPLE OF THE  
STATE OF ALABAMA, IN ORDER  
TO ESTABLISH JUSTICE, INSURE  
DOMESTIC TRANQUILITY, AND  
SECURE THE BLESSINGS OF  
LIBERTY TO OURSELVES AND OUR  
POSTERITY, INVOKING THE FAVOR  
AND GUIDANCE OF ALMIGHTY  
GOD, DO ORDAIN AND ESTABLISH  
THE FOLLOWING CONSTITUTION  
AND FORM OF GOVERNMENT  
FOR THE STATE OF ALABAMA.





# HONOR COURT

"WE WERE NOT FINAL BECAUSE WE WERE INFALLIBLE,  
WE WERE INFALLIBLE BECAUSE WE WERE FINAL."  
CHIEF JUSTICE JAMES GORMAN HOUSTON, JR.

The Honor Court is a representational work of landscape art which highlights Alabama's judicial history. Entering the court, one is met with the Alabama Monument which explains the history of the building and the elements within the Honor Court. Shaped like the state of Alabama, the court's boundaries begin with the entry steps and flag pole which represent Mobile Bay, and end with the water wall which represents the boundary of the Chattahoochee River. Low walls are used to define the Tennessee and Mississippi bor-

ders. Montgomery County, "the seat of the Alabama Supreme Court," is shown as a ground element. An in ground timeline depicting the years 1930-2000 shows the beginning of each Chief Justice's term and leads off to each justice's life-sized statue and personal history. Associate Justices are listed on the serpentine water wall and are etched into the stone fountain. Key rulings of the courts during these periods, the first four sections of the Alabama Constitution, and the Alabama Preamble are etched in stone throughout the courtyard. ■



# LUCIEN DUNBIBBEN GARDNER CHIEF JUSTICE 1940 TO 1951

TWENTY~SECOND

1940 | 1941 | 1942 | 1943 | 1944 | 1945 | 1946 | 1947 | 1948 | 1949 | 1950 | 1951

A native of Troy, Lucien Dunbibben Gardner graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree from the State Normal School at Troy in 1894. He earned his Bachelor of Arts degree from The University of Alabama and graduated from the law department in 1897. That same year he was admitted to the bar and began a law practice in his hometown.

He served as Register in Chancery from 1898 until 1903. In 1906, he was elected State Senator of Alabama. Appointed Chancellor of the Southeastern Chancery Division in 1907, he was elected to that post in 1910, serving until 1914.

In 1914, Lucien Gardner was appointed Associate Justice of the Supreme Court by Governor Emmett O'Neal to fill the vacancy created when John C. Anderson was appointed Chief Justice. Thus began his career on the court, one that would span a total of thirty-seven years, the longest in court history. Governor Frank Dixon appointed him Chief Justice in 1940, again as a successor to Anderson. Gardner held that office until 1951 when he resigned because of ill health.

Lucien Gardner married Henrietta Wiley in 1900. They had two children, Lucien Dunbibben Gardner, Jr. and Olive Gardner Campbell.

## ASSOCIATE JUSTICES

WILLIAM HOLCOMBE THOMAS	1914-1945
VIRGIL BOULDIN	1923-1944
JOEL BASCOM BROWN	1919-1921
	1927-1953
ARTHUR BORDERS FOSTER	1928-1953
THOMAS EDMUND KNIGHT	1931-1942
JAMES EDWIN LIVINGSTON	1940-1951
THOMAS SEAY LAWSON	1942-1972
DAVIS FONVILLE STAKELY	1943-1945
	1946-1962
ROBERT TENNENT SIMPSON III	1944-1972
JOHN LANCASTER GOODWYN	1951-1968



A native of Notasulga in Macon County, Alabama, he was the son of Stella Elizabeth (Burks) Livingston and James Cooper Livingston of Macon County.

Chief Justice Livingston attended the public schools of Macon County and Alabama Polytechnic Institute (Auburn University). He obtained his law degree from the University of Alabama in 1918 and was commissioned a 2nd Lt. in the U.S. Army. He was one of five brothers who served during World War I.

After serving in the U.S. Army, he practiced law in Tuscaloosa as partner in the firm of Livingston and Smith from 1919 to 1920 and with Livingston, Smith and Livingston from 1920 to 1940. He was part-time Instructor of Law at The University of Alabama for 18 years (1922-1940); elected Associate Justice of the Supreme Court in 1940; reelected in 1946; appointed Chief Justice on February 28, 1951, to fill the unexpired term of Chief Justice Lucien Gardner, who had retired due to ill health; and reelected Chief Justice in 1952, 1958, and 1964, without opposition.

On December 27, 1913, J. Ed Livingston married Marie Wise of Lafayette, Alabama. They had two sons, Willard Wise Livingston and Edwin Burks Livingston.

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PELHAM JONES MERRILL	1952-1976
PRESTON COPELAND CLAYTON	1953-1954
JAMES JEFFERSON MAYFIELD	1954-1956
NORMAN TERRY SPANN	1956-1957
JAMES SAMUEL COLEMAN, JR.	1957-1975
ROBERT BERNARD HARWOOD	1962-1975
JOHN PETER KOHN	1968
JAMES NELSON BLOODWORTH	1968-1980
ALVA HUGH MADDOX	1969-2001
DANIEL THOMPSON MCCALL, JR.	1969-1975



JAMES  
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1951 TO 1971

TWENTY~THIRD

AND THAT, THEREFORE, THEY HAVE AT ALL TIMES AN INALIENABLE AND INDEFEASIBLE RIGHT TO CHANGE THEIR FORM OF GOVERNMENT IN SUCH MANNER AS THEY MAY DEEM EXPEDIENT.



# HOWELL THOMAS HEFLIN CHIEF JUSTICE 1971 TO 1977

TWENTY~FOURTH

A native of Tuscumbia, he was the son of Reverend Marvin R. Heflin and Louise D. Strudwick Heflin. He was a graduate of Colbert County High School, Birmingham Southern College, and The University of Alabama School of Law. He was a past president of the Alabama State Bar and the first recipient of the Daniel J. Meador Award given by The University of Alabama School of Law.

In 1973, he received the Distinguished Alumnus Award from The University of Alabama and Birmingham Southern College and the Herbert Lincoln Harley Award of the American Judicature Society. In 1974, he was elected to the Alabama Academy of Honor and selected as "1975 ABA Citizen of the Year" by the Alabama Broadcasters Association. He served in the Marine Corps during World War II, was wounded twice, and was awarded the Silver Star medal. He served on the faculty of The University of Alabama and Florence State University, and was very active in improving public education. Following his service in the Alabama Supreme Court he served three terms in the United States Senate.

Howell Heflin married the former Elizabeth Ann Carmichael of Tuscumbia, and they had one son, Howell Thomas (Tom) Heflin, Jr.

## ASSOCIATE JUSTICES

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ROBERT TENNENT SIMPSON III	1944-1972
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ORMOND SOMERVILLE, JR.	1972
JAMES HARDIN FAULKNER	1972-1986
RICHARD LESTER JONES	1972-1991
RENEAU PEARSON ALMON	1975-1999
JANIE LEDLOW SHORES	1975-1999
THOMAS ERIC EMBRY	1975-1985
SAMUEL ALSTON BEATTY	1976-1989



A native of Opelika, Alabama, he is the son of Clement C. Torbert and Lynda Meadows Torbert. He was educated in the Opelika Public Schools. He attended the United States Naval Academy and received his B.S. degree from Auburn University in 1951. He studied law at the University of Maryland and graduated from The University of Alabama School of Law in 1954. He served in the United States Air Force attaining the rank of captain.

Torbert practiced law in Opelika from 1954 until 1977. He was elected to the Alabama Legislature in 1958, designated by the Capitol Press Corps as "The Most Outstanding Freshman Legislator." He was elected to the Alabama Senate in 1966 and served two terms. In 1969, the Capitol Press Corps designated him "Most Effective Senator." Chief Justice Torbert held numerous national offices, including, President of the National Conference of Chief Justices, Chairman of the National Center for State Courts, and the Chairman of the State Justice Institute. He was elected to the Alabama Academy of Honor.

Torbert is married to the former Gene Hunt of Auburn. They have three children: Mary Dixon Torbert, Shealy Torbert Cook, and Clement Clay Torbert III, and 5 grandchildren.

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CLEMENT  
CLAY  
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CHIEF JUSTICE  
1977 TO 1989

TWENTY~FIFTH

TO ANY OFFICE OR PUBLIC TRUST UNDER THIS STATE; AND THAT THE CIVIL RIGHTS, PRIVILEGES, AND CAPACITIES OF ANY CITIZEN SHALL NOT BE IN ANY MANNER AFFECTED BY HIS RELIGIOUS PRINCIPLES.



ERNEST  
CLAYTON  
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"SONNY"  
CHIEF JUSTICE  
1989 TO 1995

TWENTY~SIXTH

Born in Montgomery, Alabama, he is the son of Ernest Arnold Hornsby and Kate Clayton Hornsby. A 1955 graduate of Tallassee High School, he received his B.A. degree from Auburn University and his juris doctor degree from The University of Alabama School of Law in 1960.

After law school he served as assistant superintendent of the State Department of Insurance during the term of the Patterson Administration. From 1962-1966, he served as state senator representing Tallapoosa and Elmore counties. He practiced law for 28 years in Tallassee where he was city attorney and city judge. He was senior partner in the three member law firm, Hornsby & Schmitt. He served as president of the Alabama Trial Lawyers Association, 1972-1973, and president of the Alabama State Bar, 1977-1978. In 1987, Chief Justice Hornsby was listed in the second edition of "The Best Lawyers in America," as one of the 32 best lawyers in Alabama in the category of personal injury litigation.

Chief Justice Hornsby married the former Judy O'Daniel of Tallassee and they have three children, all lawyers: Clay Hornsby, Emily Nelson, and Allison Deison, and seven grandchildren.

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MARK KENNEDY	1989-1999
KENNETH FRANK INGRAM	1991-1997
RALPH DELANO COOK	1993-2001



# SUPREME COURT CHAMBER CONFERENCE ROOM

*From 1940-1993,  
the Supreme Court  
heard hundreds  
of cases in this  
imposing and  
elegantly detailed  
chamber which  
lies at the heart  
of the building.  
Now restored  
to its original  
grandeur, it will  
be utilized as a  
conference room  
for tenants.*





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- Class A office space
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- dramatic, 4-story lobby/atrium with high limestone walls and a grand staircase
- programmable rooftop beacon







◀ *The translucent, honey-colored onyx wall in the central atrium lobby spans four stories and visually links the old building with the new.*

*Mural by David Braly ▶*





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*"The RSA has been a great supporter from CNHI's very beginning. This latest headquarters move is another example of the positive relationship between us."*

~ **DONNA BARRETT**  
PRESIDENT AND CEO OF CNHI







The background of the page is a photograph of a grand, classical-style bank lobby. The space features high, vaulted ceilings with arched windows, large columns, and a polished floor that reflects the overhead lights. A modern glass railing is visible in the foreground, suggesting a mezzanine or elevated walkway. The lighting is warm and ambient, creating a sense of elegance and tradition.

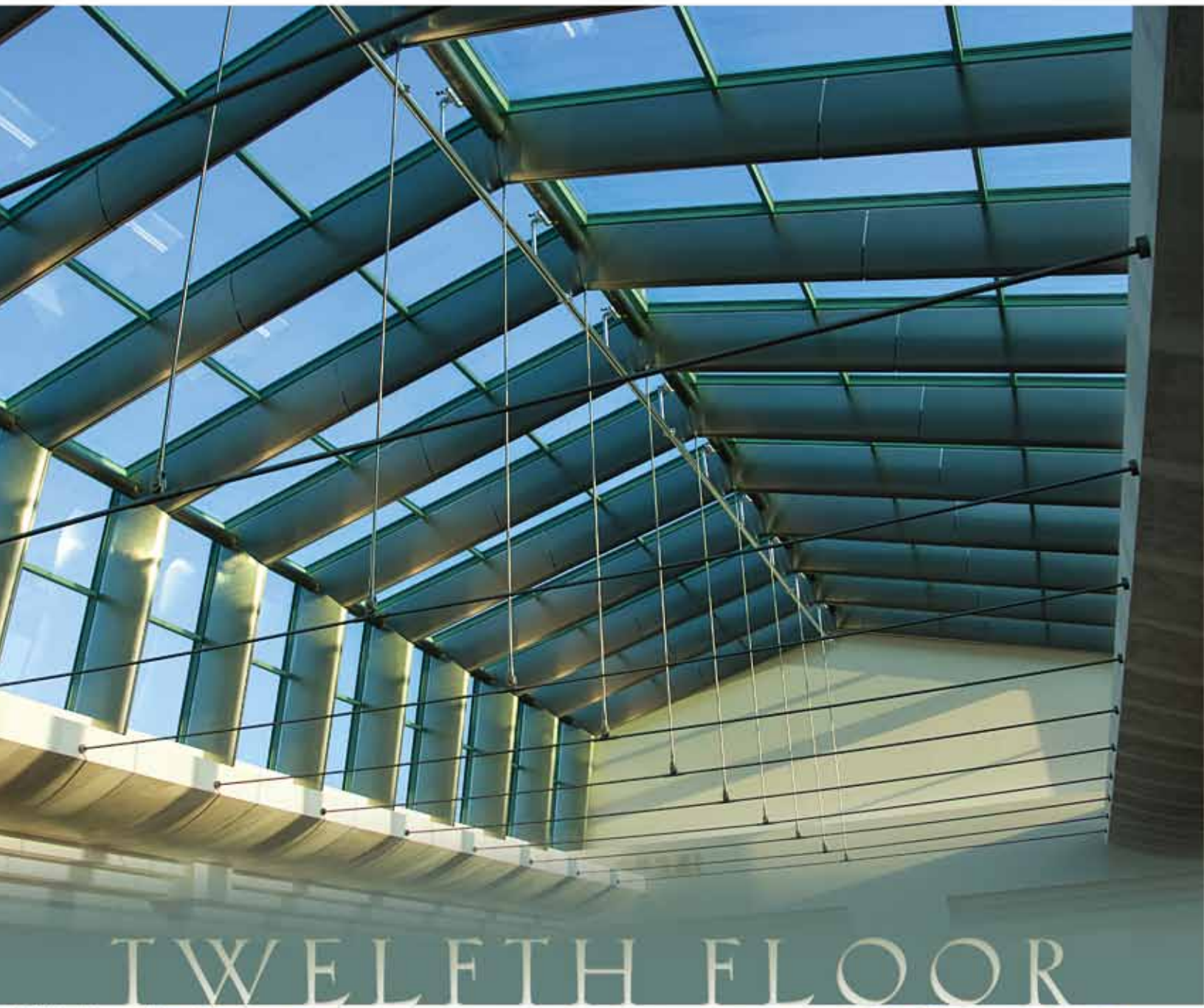
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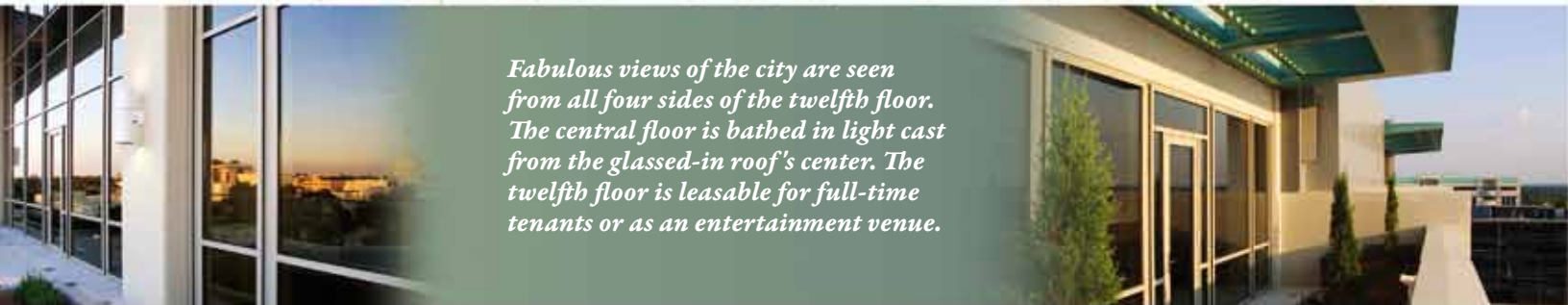
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*Fabulous views of the city are seen from all four sides of the twelfth floor. The central floor is bathed in light cast from the glassed-in roof's center. The twelfth floor is leasable for full-time tenants or as an entertainment venue.*





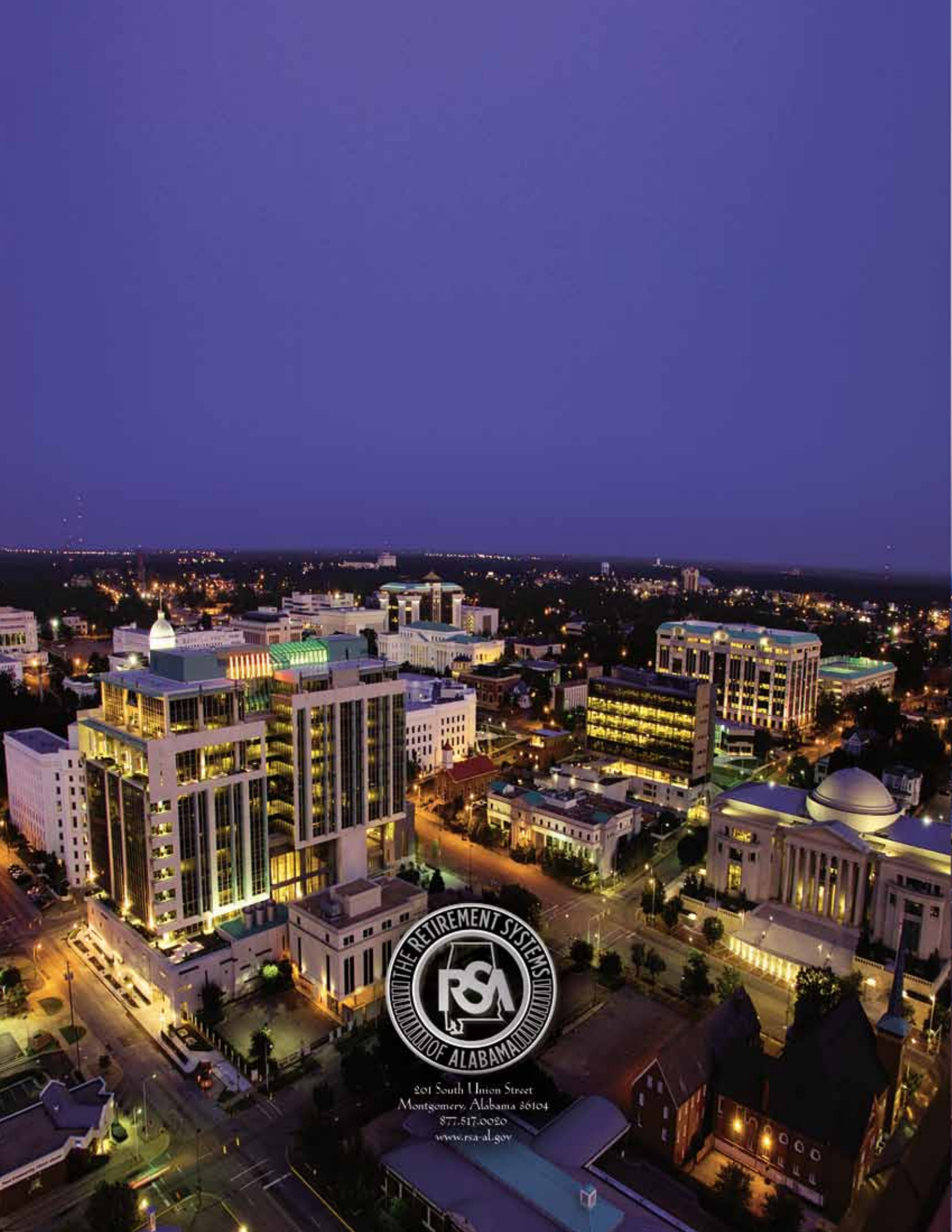












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